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# CONSUMER TIPS >

(Information from Bureau of Home Economics, USDA)

### GENERAL RULES

- Woolens last longer if kept clean; dirt wears out fibers.
- 2. Rough handling & extreme temperatures when wet weaken fibers, shrink & mat woolens.
- 3. Blankets & knit goods may be washed; suits & dresses, dry cleaned.

### DRY CLEANING

- 1. Clothes will shrink in cleaning unless wool was sponged & shrunk before being made into garments.
- To avoid fire hazard of home cleaning, use non-inflammable fluid, like carbon tetrachloride: do it outdoors.

3. Use enough cleaning fluid to rinse goods thoroughly.

#### WASHING

- 1. Use soft, lukewarm water; mild suds, not laundry soap.
- 2. Squeeze suds gently through woolen; do not soak.
- 3. Rinse 2 or 3 times in lukewarm water.
- 4. Do not wring, twist, pull; <u>squeeze</u> water out; blankets may be put through wringer if rolls are loose; roll knit goods in towel and knead to remove moisture.
- 5. Hang blankets on line in folded sheet or cloth bag to drip; then hang lengthwise over line, one-half on each side; keep away from heat, cold, direct sunlight. When dry, fluff with clean soft brush, against nap.
- 6. Dry knit goods flat on towel away from sun, heat. CT-77

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